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MEMORANDUM FOR DR. KISSINGER

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JACK ANDERSON IN DISCUSSING "PEACE SIGNALS" FROM HANOI IN 1969 STATES THAT THE KEY TO THE CONTROVERSY LAY IN THE INTERPRETATION OF HANOI'S SIGNALS BY PRESIDENT NIXON. HE ADDS THAT THE "NEW" PRESIDENT CHOSE NOT TO REGARD THE MESSAGES AS SERIOUS PEACE OVERTURES. ANDERSON ALLEGES TO HAVE ACCESS TO CLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS ON THE SUBJECT. (D 17)

#### THE BALTIMORE SUN

SCOTT SULLIVAN REPORTS FROM PARIS THAT NORTH VIETNAMESE SPOKESMEN TOOK SPECIAL CARE TO CUT OFF SPECULATION THAT THE PARIS TALKS WERE NEAR A COMPROMISE SOLUTION, ALSO MAKING IT CLEAR THAT THIS REFERS TO BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SESSIONS. (A 1)

JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER OHIRA YESTERDAY STATED THAT JAPAN WILL SEEK TO NEGOTIATE A NON-AGGRESSION PACT WITH CHINA AS PART OF THE PROCESS OF NORMALIZING RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. (A 2)

FORMER WEST GERMAN MINISTER OF ECONOMICS AND FINANCE SCHILLER HAS ANNOUNCED THAT HE WILL NOT CAMPAIGN FOR A SEAT IN THE BUNDESTAG AS A SOCIAL DEMOCRAT IN THE NEXT NATIONAL ELECTIONS. (A 4)

#### THE NEW YORK TIMES

MAJOR ARTICLES ON PAGE ONE FEATURE YOUR MEETING WITH PRESIDENT THIEU AND THE APPARENT REBUKE BY HANOI TO BOTH MOSCOW AND PEKING. PAGE ONE ALSO FEATURES A PHOTO OF YOU CONFERRING WITH THIEU.

HENRY KAMM WRITES THAT MOSHE DAYAN YESTERDAY URGED EGYPT TO ACCEPT AN INTERIM PEACE AGREEMENT BASED ON A DIVIDING LINE DRAWN ACROSS THE SINAI PENINSULA. (PAGE 2)

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THE WASHINGTON POST

WILLIAM GREIDER NOTES THAT SENATOR MCGOVERN ACCUSED PRESIDENT NIXON YESTERDAY OF STAGING AN ELABORATE, "HIGHLY PUBLICIZED GLOBAL JUNKET" BY YOU TO DECEIVE THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ON CHANCES FOR PEACE IN VIETNAM. (PAGE A 1)

YOU AND PRESIDENT THIEU ARE PICTURED ON PAGE ONE. JONATHAN RANDAL HAS AN ARTICLE ON YOUR MEETING WITH THIEU IN WHICH HE RELATES THAT NEITHER SIDE PROVIDED EVEN A HINT ABOUT THE SUBSTANCE OF THE TALKS. (PAGE A 1)

THE U.S. MOUNTED THE HEAVIEST RAIDS OF THE CURRENT BOMBING CAMPAIGN AGAINST NORTH VIETNAM IN THE 24 HOURS JUST PRECEDING YOUR ARRIVAL IN SAIGON, THE U.S. COMMAND IN SAIGON SAID THURSDAY. (PAGE A 1)

ACCORDING TO MURREY MARDER, NORTH VIETNAM STERNLY TOLD THE SOVIET UNION AND CHINA YESTERDAY THAT IT WILL NOT BE LURED INTO FOLLOWING THEIR PATH OF "COMPROMISE" WITH "PERFIDIOUS IMPERIALISTS" AT AN "EPIC" ~~POINT IN THE INDOCHINA WAR.~~ THE ADMONITION APPEARED IN NHAN DAN AS A MAJOR EDITORIAL. (PAGE A 1)

CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTER CHI PENG-FEI ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY THAT ~~PRIME~~ MINISTER TRUDEAU WILL VISIT CHINA IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

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